UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re:)	Case No. 12-12020 (MG)
RESIDENTIAL CAPITAL, LLC, et al.,)	Chapter 11
Debtors.)	Jointly Administered
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AFFIDAVIT OF DISINTERESTEDNESS

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

Michael Kass, being duly sworn, upon his/her oath, deposes and says:

- I am the Managing Partner of Kass Shuler, P.A. located at 1505 N.
 Florida Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33601 (the "Firm").
- 2. The above-captioned debtors and debtors-in-possession (each a "<u>Debtor</u>" and collectively the "<u>Debtors</u>") have requested that the Firm provide legal services to the Debtors, and the Firm has consented to provide such services.
- 3. The Firm may have performed services in the past, may currently perform services, and may perform services in the future, in matters unrelated to the above-captioned cases (the "<u>Chapter 11 Cases</u>"), for persons that are parties-in-interest in the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases. The Firm does not perform services for any such person in connection with these Chapter 11 Cases, or have any relationship with any such person, their attorneys, or accountants that would be adverse to the Debtors or their estates.
- 4. As part of its customary practice, the Firm is retained in cases, proceedings, and transactions involving many different parties, some of whom may represent or be employed by the Debtors, claimants, and parties in interest in these Chapter 11 Cases,

- 5. Neither I nor any principal, partner, director, officer, of, or professional employed by, the Firm has agreed to share or will share any portion of the compensation to be received from the Debtors with any other person other than the principal and regular employees of the Firm.
- 6. Neither I nor [any principal, partner, director, officer, of, or professional employed by, the Firm, insofar as I have been able to ascertain, holds, or represents any interest adverse to the Debtors or their estates with respect to the matter(s) upon which this Firm is to be employed.
- 7. As of the date of the filing of the bankruptcy case on May 14, 2012, the Debtors owe d the Firm \$174,388.79 for prepetition services, the payment of which is subject to limitations contained in the United States Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. § 101, et seq. This \$174,388.79 represents \$76,449.80 in accounts receivable for invoices provided to the Debtors as of the filing date and \$97,938.99 for non-invoiced work in progress as of the filing date.
- 8. As of the Petition Date of May 14, 2012, the Firm **was not** party to an agreement for indemnification with certain of the Debtors. The Firm is conducting further

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Inquiries regarding its retention by any creditors of the Debtors, and upon conclusion of that inquiry, or at any time during the period of its employment, if the Firm should discover any facts bearing on the matters described herein, the Firm will supplement the information contained in this Affidavit.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on 7/20, 2012

MICHAEL KASS

Sworn to and subscribed before me

this 26 day of

, 2012

Notary Public

State of Florida

In re Residential Capital, LLC, et al. Chapter 11 Case No. 12-12020 (MG)

RETENTION QUESTIONNAIRE1

TO BE COMPLETED BY PROFESSIONALS EMPLOYED BY RESIDENTIAL CAPITAL, LLC, et al. (the "<u>Debtors</u>")

THIS QUESTIONNAIRE WILL BE FILED WITH THE COURT ON YOUR BEHALF. PLEASE REMIT IT TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

Morrison & Foerster LLP 1290 Avenue of the Americas New York, New York 10104 Attn: Norman S. Rosenbaum and Jordan A. Wishnew

All questions <u>must</u> be answered. Please use "none," "not applicable," or "N/A," as appropriate. If more space is needed, please complete on a separate page and attach.

1. Name and address of firm:

Kass Shuler, P.A. 1505 N. Florida Avenue Tampa, Florida 33601

- 2. Date of original retention: The firm began providing legal services to the Debtors in September 2010. The Retention Agreement was signed in February 2012.
- 3. Brief description of legal services to be provided:

 The Firm provides default services to the Debtors as set forth in the Retention Agreement and Statement of Work Agreement.
- 4. Arrangements for compensation
 - (a) Average hourly rate (if applicable): \$180.00. Most billing is based upon a flat fee arrangement
 - (b) Estimated average monthly compensation (based on prepetition retention if firm was employed prepetition): \$100,000.00
- 5. Prepetition claims against any of the Debtors held by the firm:

As of the date of the filing of the bankruptcy case on May 14, 2012, the Debtors owed the Firm \$174,388.79 for prepetition legal services and costs advanced by the firm on behalf of the Debtors. This \$174,388.79 represents \$76,449.80 in accounts receivable for

All amounts are either owing in U.S. Dollars or have been converted to U.S. Dollars based upon the applicable exchange rate in effect on the Petition Date.

invoices provided to the Debtors as of the filing date and \$97,938.99 for non-invoiced work in progress as of the filing date.

- 6. Prepetition claims against any of the Debtors held individually by any member, associate, or professional employee of the firm: None
- 7. Stock of any of the Debtors currently held by the firm: None
- 8. Stock of any of the Debtors currently held individually by any member, associate, or professional employee of the firm: None
- 9. Disclose the nature and provide a brief description of any interest adverse to the Debtors or to their estates with respect to the matters on which the above-named firm is to be employed. None
- 10. Amount of any retainer received from the Debtors held by the firm:
 - (a) As of May 14, 2012: None
 - (b) Balance remaining after application to invoices due and owing prior to May 14, 2012: N/A since no retainer

Michael Kass Managing Partner